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PART EIGHT

Mega Man is a super fighting robot built by Dr. Light to protect his home and family from the evil forces of Dr. Wily.

THE CHARISMA OF SIGMA!

Sigma—the cunning villain from Mega Man's future—used the power of the **Genesis Portals** to escape to **Lost Hex**, a hidden planetoid on Sonic's world! There he kidnapped **Drs. Eggman** and **Wily**, using them to build everything he needed for his devious master plan to become a god!

THE ENIGMA OF SIGMA!

Sonic and Mega Man's worlds fused into one as part of Sigma's diabolical scheme, bringing together heroes from across time and space! **Sonic**, **Mega Man** and **X** banded together to form a Unified Army and face Sigma at his hidden base! Meanwhile, **Sticks** fell through a Genesis Portal and quickly recruited a new friend...

THE STIGMA OF SIGMA!

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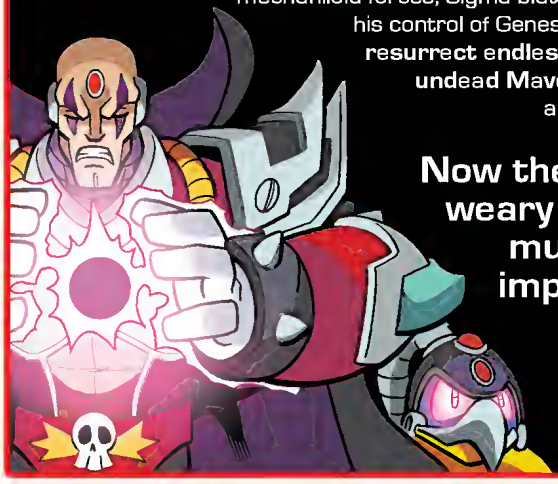

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VILLAIN

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THE MAN WITH THE MASTER PLAN

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VILLAINS

Dr. WILY

XANDER PAYNE

A SELFISH GENIUS & A CRAZED ZEALOT

MEGA MAN'S FUTURE

REPLOID HEROES FROM THE YEAR 21XX

SONIC BOOM WORLD

STICKS MADE THEM FOLLOW HER

SIGMA'S ARMY

ENDLESS LEGIONS OF RESURRECTED MAVERICKS

SIGMA-2

GODLIKE REPLOID FUSED TO LOST HEX

ABOARD THE SKY PATROL...ABOVE THE DYING UNIFIED WORLD...
STAND FAST, EVERYONE! WE MAY BE WOUNDED, BUT WE ARE THE ONLY HOPE FOR THE WORLD BELOW US!
WE CANNOT FAIL HERE! SO NO MATTER THE ODDS--

WORLDS UNITE!

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--FIGHT!!!

CHING!
THOK!
BLORP!
BLORP!
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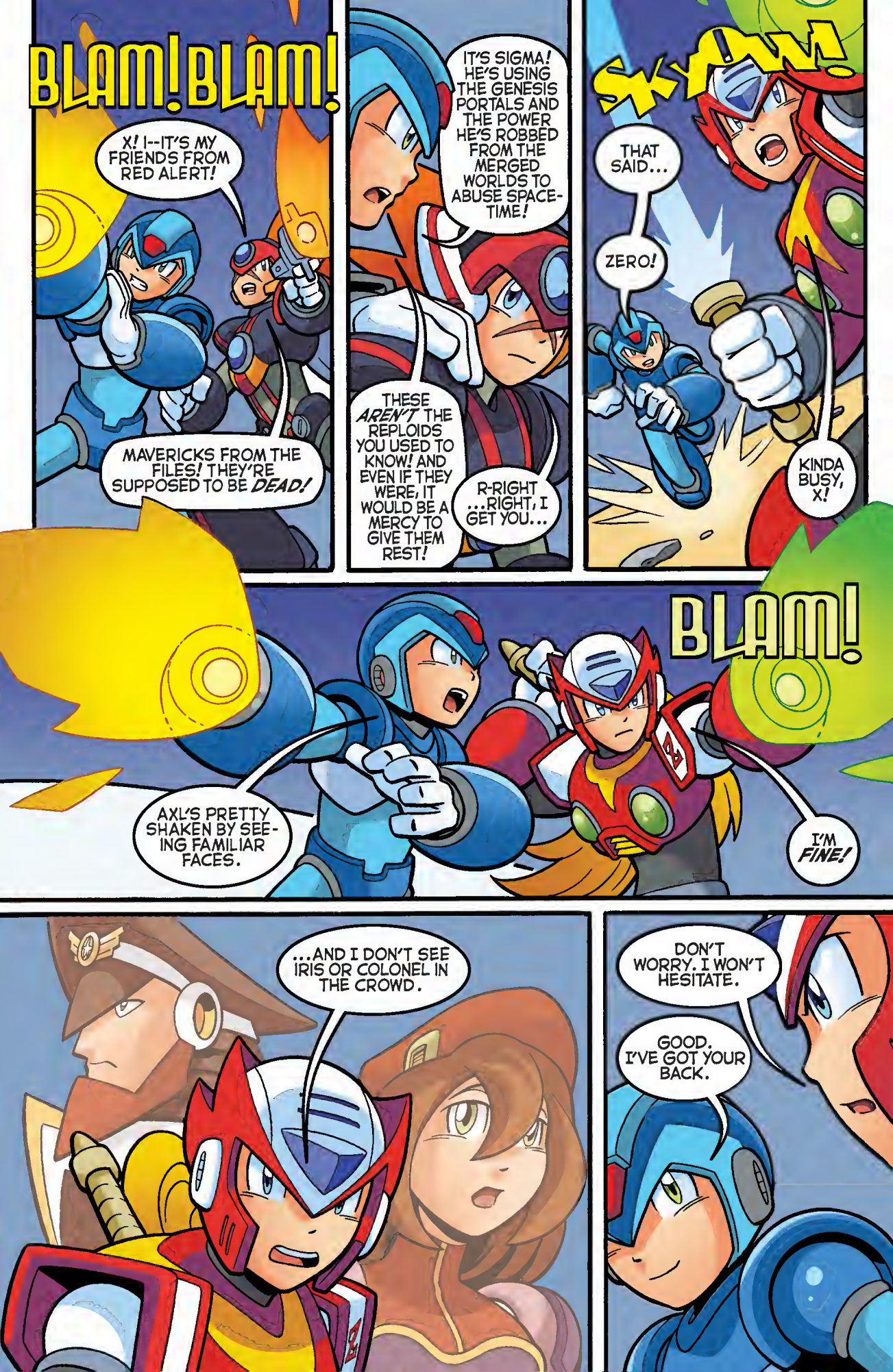
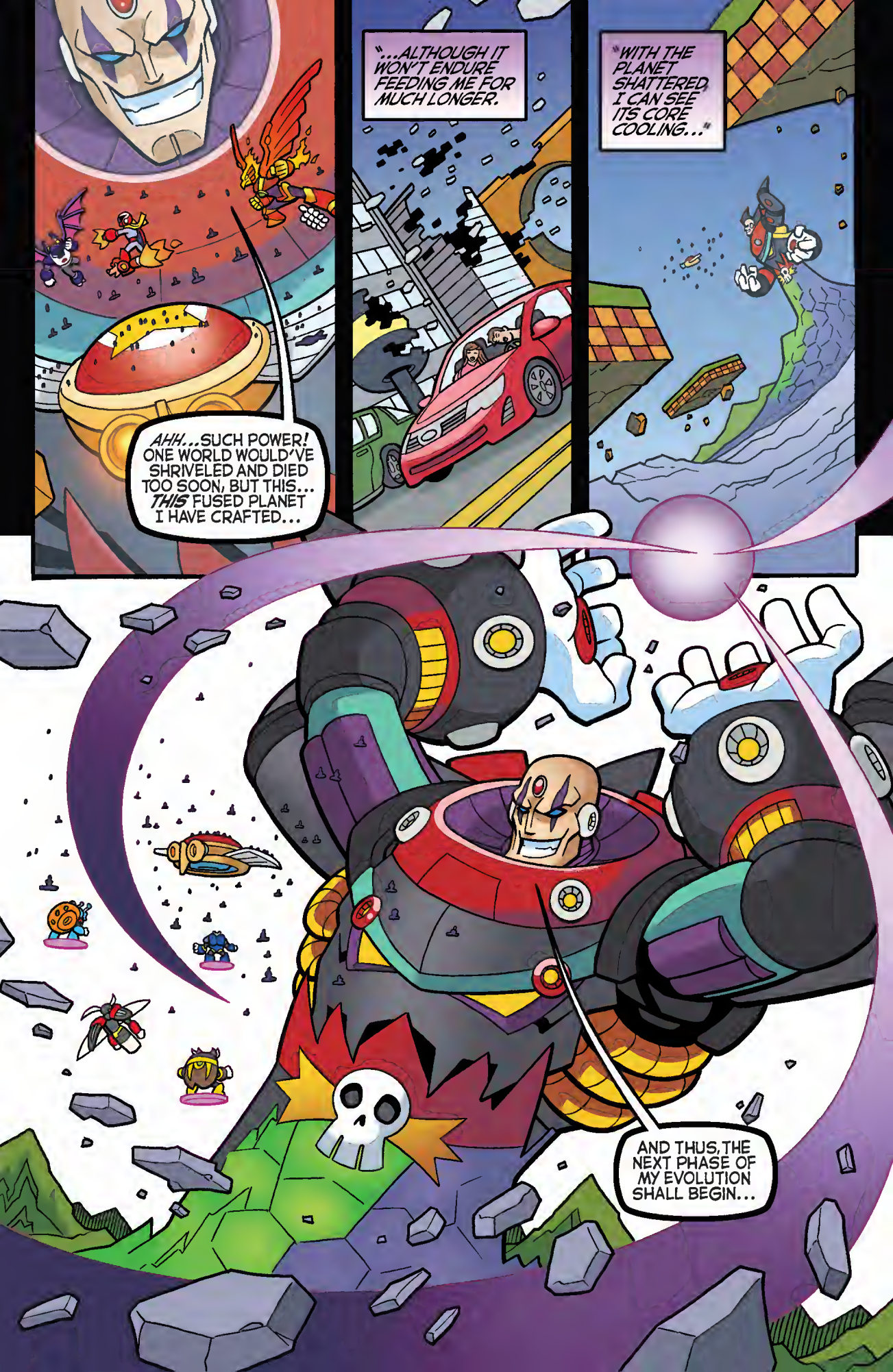
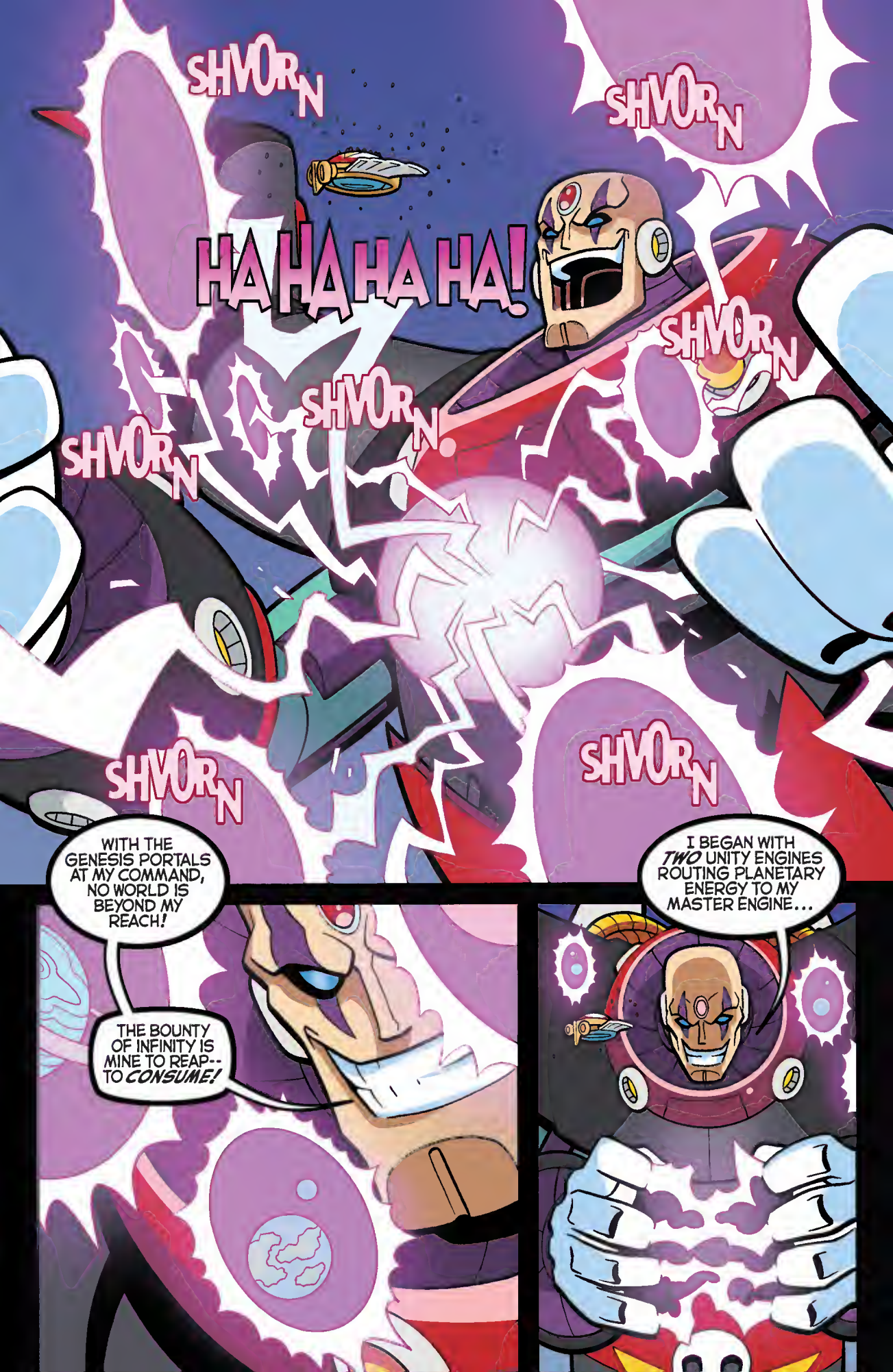
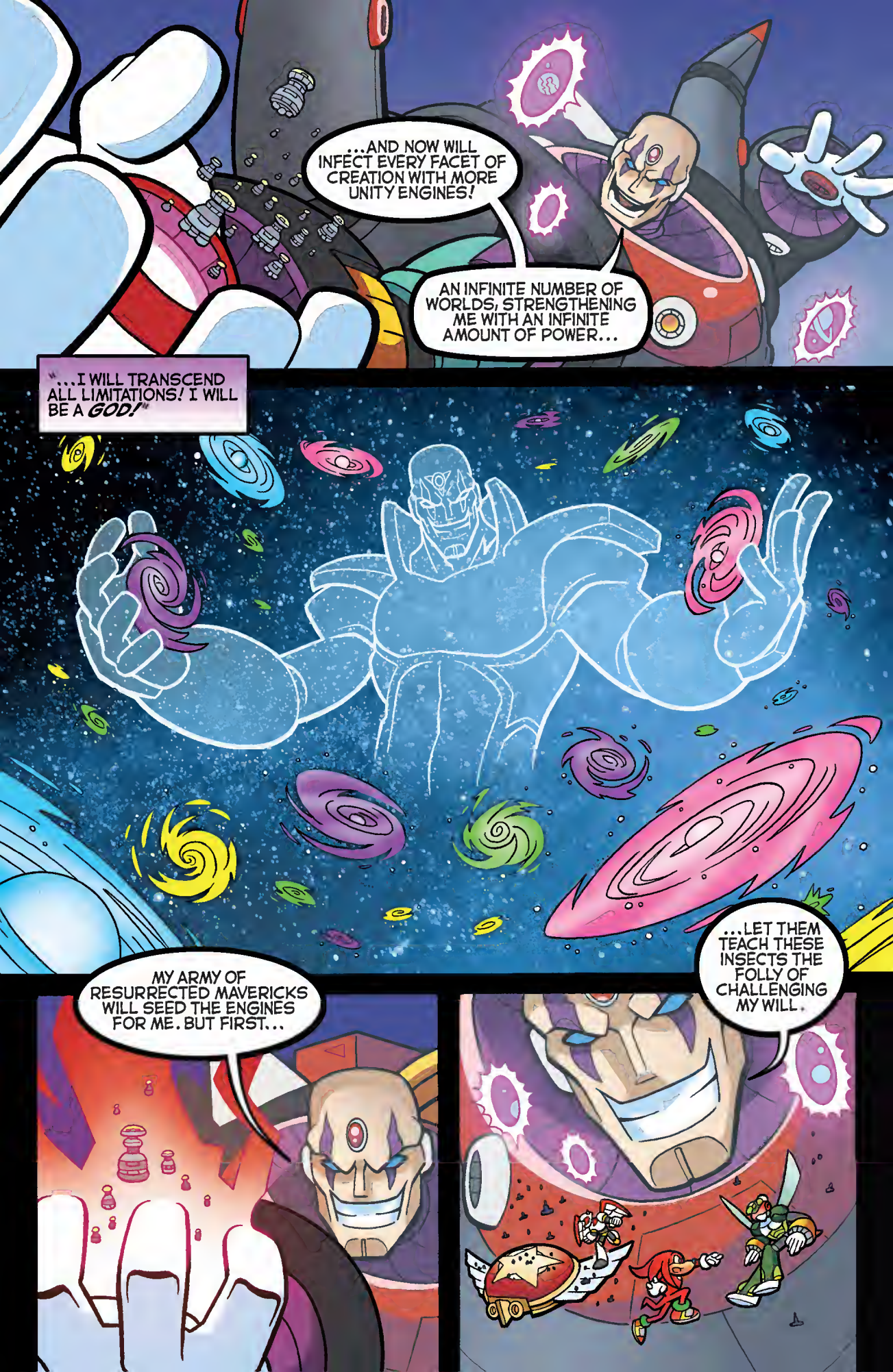
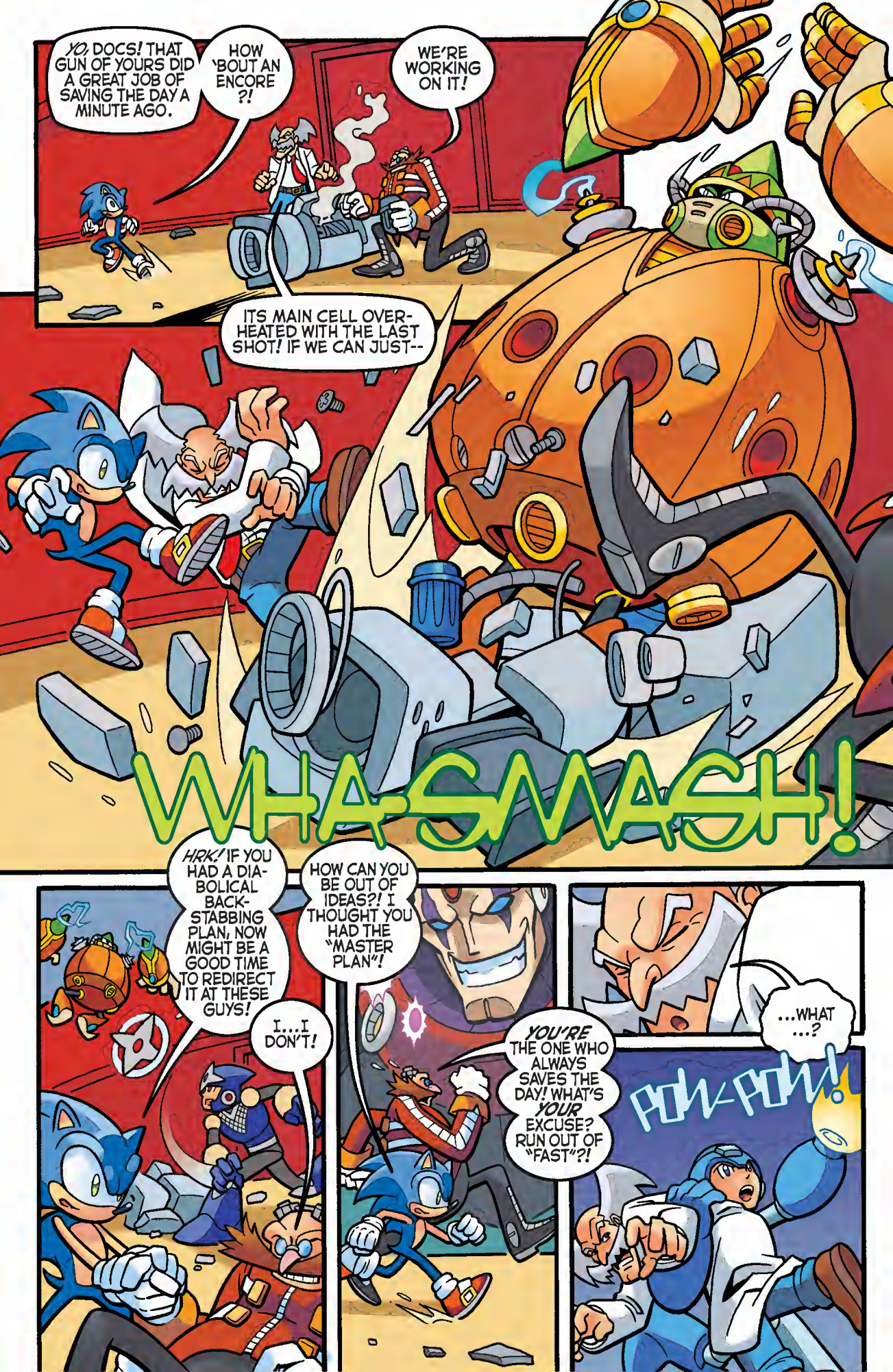
BLORP!
BLORP!
BLORP!
FWEEEE!
BLAM!
BLAM!
RRRRRUMBLE!
KREEEE!


BLAM! BLAM!
X! I--IT'S MY FRIENDS FROM RED ALERT!
MAVERICKS FROM THE FILES! THEY'RE SUPPOSED TO BE DEAD!
IT'S SIGMA! HE'S USING THE GENESIS PORTALS AND THE POWER HE'S ROBBED FROM THE MERGED WORLDS TO ABUSE SPACE-TIME!
THESE AREN'T THE REPLOIDS YOU USED TO KNOW! AND EVEN IF THEY WERE, IT WOULD BE A MERCY TO GIVE THEM REST!
R-RIGHT ...RIGHT, I GET YOU...
SKYAN!
THAT SAID...
ZERO!
KINDA BUSY, X!
BLAM!
AXL'S PRETTY SHAKEN BY SEEING FAMILIAR FACES.
I'M FINE!
...AND I DON'T SEE IRIS OR COLONEL IN THE CROWD.
DON'T WORRY. I WON'T HESITATE.
GOOD. I'VE GOT YOUR BACK.


AHH...SUCH POWER! ONE WORLD WOULD'VE SHRIVELED AND DIED TOO SOON, BUT THIS... THIS FUSED PLANET I HAVE CRAFTED...
"...ALTHOUGH IT WON'T ENDURE FEEDING ME FOR MUCH LONGER.
"WITH THE PLANET SHATTERED, I CAN SEE ITS CORE COOLING..."
AND THUS, THE NEXT PHASE OF MY EVOLUTION SHALL BEGIN...


SHVORN
SHVORN
HAHAHAHA!
SHVORN
SHVORN
SHVORN
SHVORN
SHVORN
WITH THE GENESIS PORTALS AT MY COMMAND, NO WORLD IS BEYOND MY REACH!
THE BOUNTY OF INFINITY IS MINE TO REAP-- TO CONSUME!
I BEGAN WITH TWO UNITY ENGINES ROUTING PLANETARY ENERGY TO MY MASTER ENGINE...


...AND NOW WILL INFECT EVERY FACET OF CREATION WITH MORE UNITY ENGINES!
AN INFINITE NUMBER OF WORLDS, STRENGTHENING ME WITH AN INFINITE AMOUNT OF POWER...
"...I WILL TRANSCEND ALL LIMITATIONS! I WILL BE A *GOD!*"
MY ARMY OF RESURRECTED MAVERICKS WILL SEED THE ENGINES FOR ME. BUT FIRST...
...LET THEM TEACH THESE INSECTS THE FOLLY OF CHALLENGING MY WILL.


YO, DOCS! THAT GUN OF YOURS DID A GREAT JOB OF SAVING THE DAY A MINUTE AGO.
HOW 'BOUT AN ENCORE ?!
WE'RE WORKING ON IT!
ITS MAIN CELL OVER-HEATED WITH THE LAST SHOT! IF WE CAN JUST--
WHA-SMASH!
HRK! IF YOU HAD A DIA-BOLICAL BACK-STABBING PLAN, NOW MIGHT BE A GOOD TIME TO REDIRECT IT AT THESE GUYS!
I...I DON'T!
HOW CAN YOU BE OUT OF IDEAS?! I THOUGHT YOU HAD THE "MASTER PLAN"!
YOU'RE THE ONE WHO ALWAYS SAVES THE DAY! WHAT'S YOUR EXCUSE? RUN OUT OF "FAST"?!
...WHAT ...?
POW-POW!

POW!
WH-WHAT ARE YOU DOING?! PUT ME DOWN!
NO. I FAILED TO SAVE YOU LAST TIME.* I'M NOT LETTING YOU COME TO HARM AGAIN!
*MEGA MAN #48.
B-BUT YOU HATE ME! ALMOST AS MUCH AS I HATE YOU!
I DON'T WANT TO HATE ANYBODY...
...AND I DON'T WANT YOU HURT--OR WORSE!
TH--THAT'S JUST THE LAW OF ROBOTICS TALKING...
YEAH, THAT'S PART OF MY BASE PROGRAMMING.
BUT IT'S ALSO WHAT I WANT. NOW STAY PUT!
Y-YES, SIR!
CONDESCENDING MEGA-BRAT...!

BOOM!
BOOM!
Whk-Chik!
SLASH!
SHZZK!
C'MON, KID. WE...WE'RE NOT DONE YET...
R-RIGHT... EVERYONE'S COUNTING ON US...

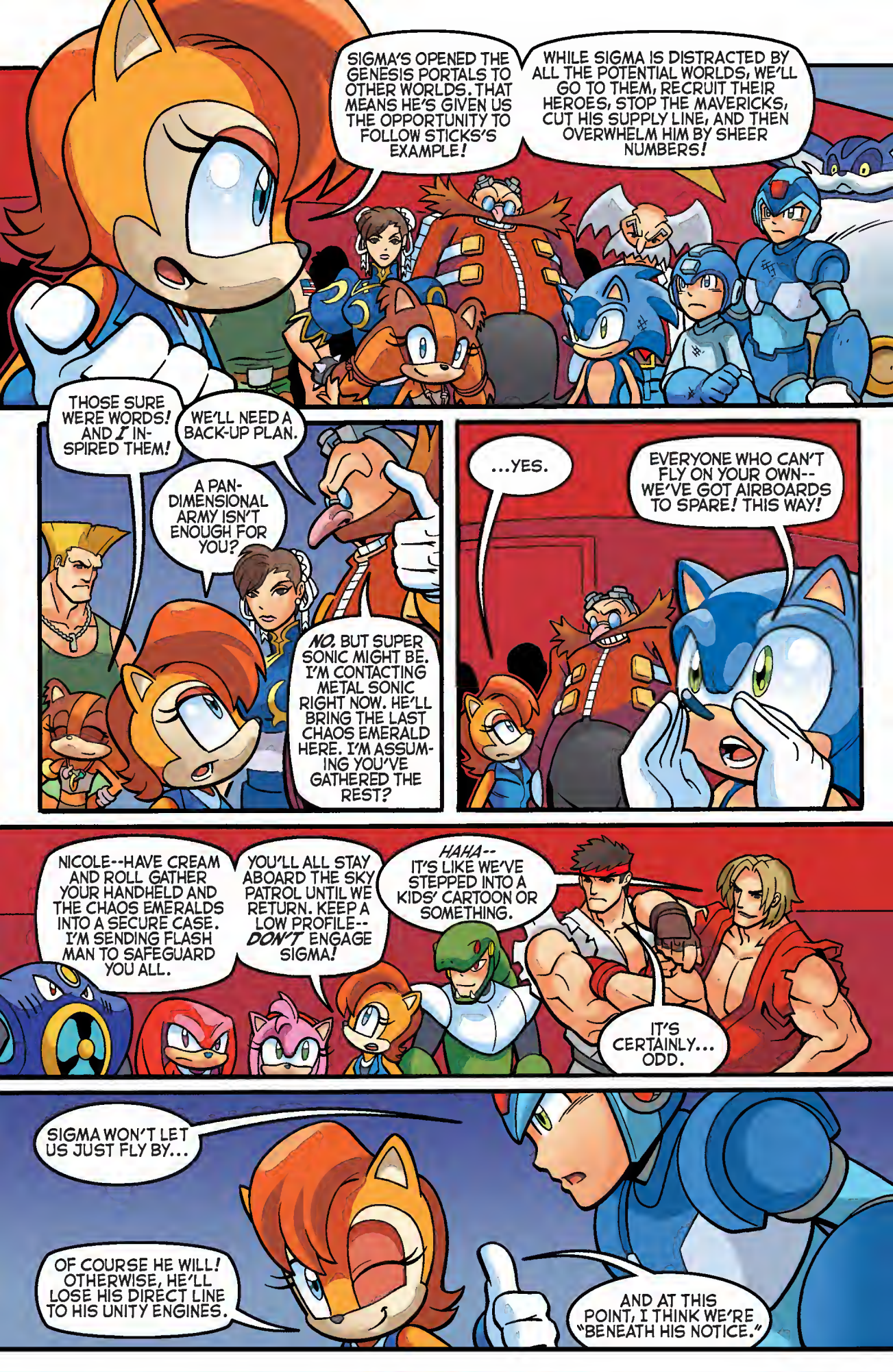
HAHAHA! ENOUGH! THEY CAN BARELY STAND.
COME, MY MINIONS--TAKE A UNITY ENGINE AND TRAVEL THROUGH A GENESIS PORTAL. SPREAD MY WILL ACROSS THE COSMOS!
no!
CRACK!
STAY DOWN!
YOU FOUR--STAY BEHIND AND FINISH OFF THESE PESTS.
I WILL BE SEARCHING FOR THE RIPEST WORLDS FOR MY CONQUESTS.

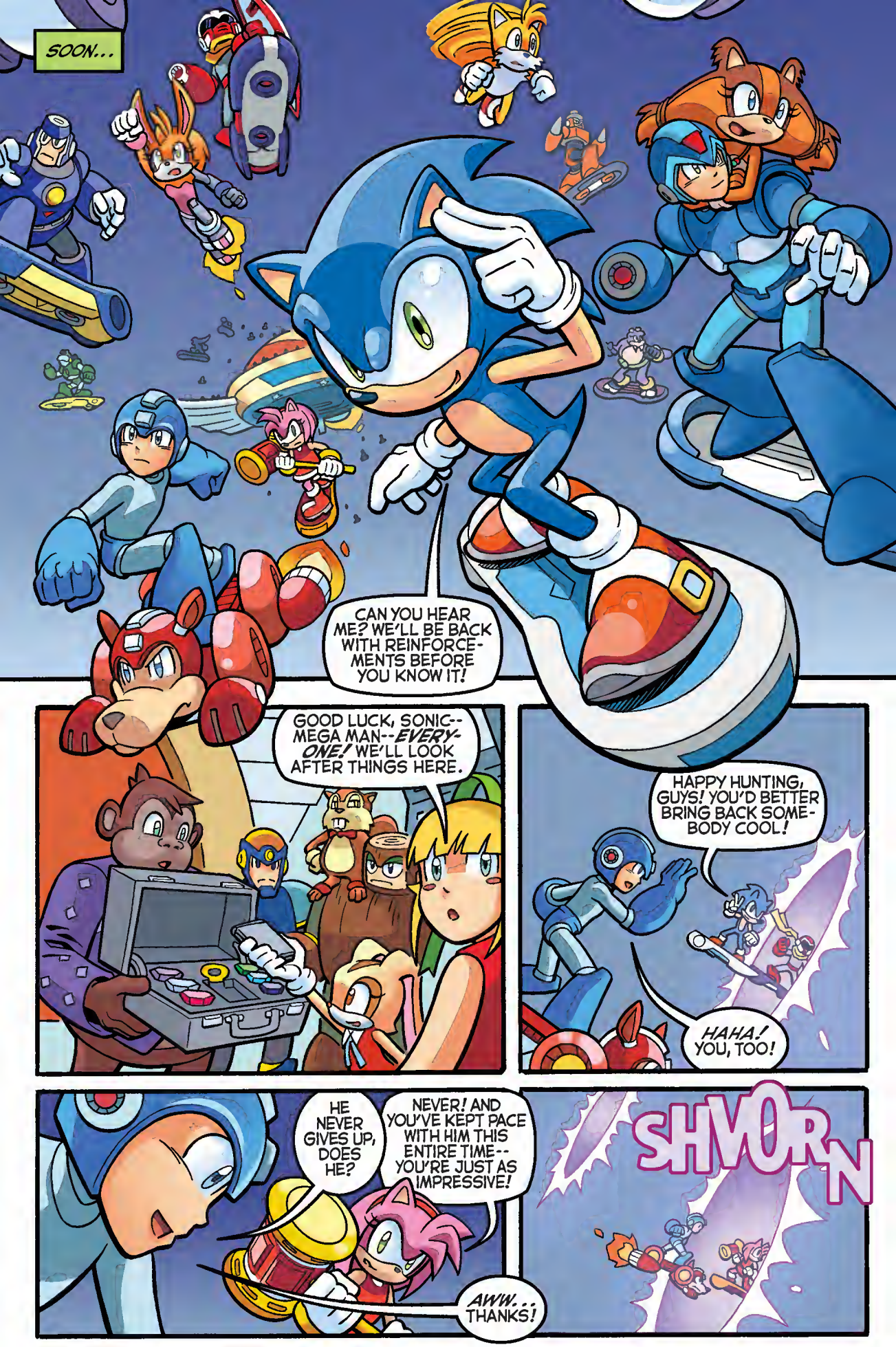
OKAY... SO I'M GONNA ADMIT WE NEED SOME BACK-UP.
YEAH... BUT SIGMA'S INVADING A BUNCH OF OTHER WORLDS. WHO EVEN KNOWS TO COME AND HELP US?
HADOUKEN!
BWOOSH!

FROM THE WORLD OF
STREET FIGHTER
RYU
GUILE
KEN
CHUN-LI
DA-DA-DA-DAAAA! PRESENTING THE NEW AND IMPROVED TEAM STICKS!
NOW LET'S GET 'EM!!!

SPINNING BIRD KICK!
WOW!
SHORYUKEN!
I GOTTA TRY THAT!
HADOUKEN!
...HUH.
SONIC BOOM!

SHA-KRAK
THOK!
THOK!
THOK!
THOK!
CRUNCH!
HELLO. I'M CHUN-LI OF INTERPOL. STICKS HAS EXPLAINED THE SITUATION, AND WE'RE HERE TO HELP.
JEALOUS?
YEAH, SO THIS IS MY TEAM. DOUBLE-TAPSIES, NO TAKE-BACKS.
YOU'RE A GENIUS!
...I AM?


SIGMA'S OPENED THE GENESIS PORTALS TO OTHER WORLDS. THAT MEANS HE'S GIVEN US THE OPPORTUNITY TO FOLLOW STICKS'S EXAMPLE!
WHILE SIGMA IS DISTRACTED BY ALL THE POTENTIAL WORLDS, WE'LL GO TO THEM, RECRUIT THEIR HEROES, STOP THE MAVERICKS, CUT HIS SUPPLY LINE, AND THEN OVERWHELM HIM BY SHEER NUMBERS!
THOSE SURE WERE WORDS! AND I INSPIRED THEM!
WE'LL NEED A BACK-UP PLAN.
A PAN-DIMENSIONAL ARMY ISN'T ENOUGH FOR YOU?
NO. BUT SUPER SONIC MIGHT BE. I'M CONTACTING METAL SONIC RIGHT NOW. HE'LL BRING THE LAST CHAOS EMERALD HERE. I'M ASSUMING YOU'VE GATHERED THE REST?
...YES.
EVERYONE WHO CAN'T FLY ON YOUR OWN-- WE'VE GOT AIRBOARDS TO SPARE! THIS WAY!
NICOLE--HAVE CREAM AND ROLL GATHER YOUR HANDHELD AND THE CHAOS EMERALDS INTO A SECURE CASE. I'M SENDING FLASH MAN TO SAFEGUARD YOU ALL.
YOU'LL ALL STAY ABOARD THE SKY PATROL UNTIL WE RETURN. KEEP A LOW PROFILE-- DON'T ENGAGE SIGMA!
HAHA-- IT'S LIKE WE'VE STEPPED INTO A KIDS' CARTOON OR SOMETHING.
IT'S CERTAINLY... ODD.
SIGMA WON'T LET US JUST FLY BY...
OF COURSE HE WILL! OTHERWISE, HE'LL LOSE HIS DIRECT LINE TO HIS UNITY ENGINES.
AND AT THIS POINT, I THINK WE'RE "BENEATH HIS NOTICE."


SOON...
CAN YOU HEAR ME? WE'LL BE BACK WITH REINFORCE-MENTS BEFORE YOU KNOW IT!
GOOD LUCK, SONIC--MEGA MAN--*EVERY-ONE!* WE'LL LOOK AFTER THINGS HERE.
HAPPY HUNTING, GUYS! YOU'D BETTER BRING BACK SOME-BODY COOL!
HAHA! YOU, TOO!
HE NEVER GIVES UP, DOES HE?
NEVER! AND YOU'VE KEPT PACE WITH HIM THIS ENTIRE TIME--YOU'RE JUST AS IMPRESSIVE!
AWW... THANKS!
SHVORN

HEH HEH HEH... ALL THIS COMMOTION HAS MADE FOR A WONDERFUL DIS-TRACTION.
INDEED! NOBODY IS BABYSITTING US ANYMORE.
ALL THAT'S LEFT IS TO STEAL A TRANSPORT...
...AND INVADE LOST HEX!
NO.
SHKVORN
WE'LL TAKE THE DIRECT ROUTE.
ER... WHATEVER YOU SAY, PARTNER.

LET MEGA MAN AND THE OTHERS DO ALL THE FIGHTING FOR US!
LET SUPER SONIC BOUNCE USELESSLY AGAINST SIGMA'S ARMOR!
WE'LL FIND THE MASTER ENGINE WHILE THEY'RE ALL DISTRACTED...
...AND HARNESS ITS POWER FOR OURSELVES!
AND THEN OUR GENIUSES WILL RULE ALL OF CREATION!
THE SECOND ACT HAS COME TO A CLOSE!
THE THIRD AND FINAL ACT IS ABOUT TO LAUNCH INTO HIGH GEAR! NEW WORLDS! NEW HEROES! AND THE TICKING CLOCK AS SIGMA, EGGMAN AND WILY RACE TO BECOME ALL-POWERFUL!
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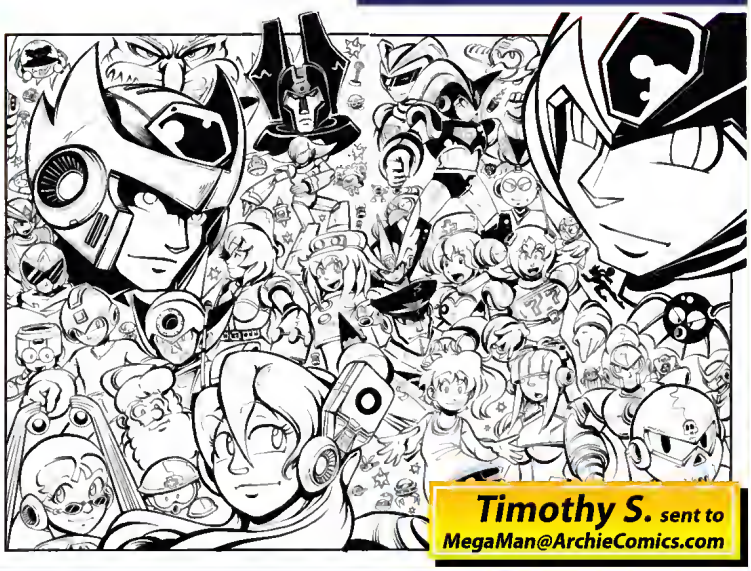

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— SHORT CIRCUITS —

DELTA SIGMA DOOMSDAY OR... visit to a widespread PANIC!

THIS CROSSOVER'S REALLY GETTING EXCITING! I WISH I COULD BE A PART OF IT.
THEN TRADE PLACES WITH US—
HA HA HA HA!
—AND TELL THE WRITER WE WANNA GO HOME!!!
HA HA HA HA!
@#$%&!!!

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